

Jane Rossi

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Sent: Friday, March 4, 2022 11:46 AM
To: jrossi
Subject: [West Tisbury, MA] Edens project - Middle Point (Sent by Mary Moore, pasturemare@gmail.com)

Hello jrossi,

Mary Moore (pasturemare@gmail.com) has sent you a message via your contact form (<https://www.westtisbury-ma.gov/user/41/contact>) at West Tisbury, MA.

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Message:

Hello Ms. Jones

This is from Mary Moore.

My husband, Alexander (Sandy) Moore, and I are the direct abutters of the Eden's proposed project on Middle Point in West Tisbury. We live at 192 Middle Point Road.

May I please submit this to be read into the minutes of your next meeting ?

As a point of information -

Should a nitrogen reduction septic system become a desirable environmental goal for West Tisbury, we do not have the possibility of choice to convert our current septic system because we don't have electricity. We don't have electricity because the Trustees of Reservation will not allow us to tie into the electric line that was placed in the road that passes in front of our house unless we give them land and provide them with control over our property. The Drexlers and the Lewises were part of some sort of agreement with the Trustees to not allow us to tie into the electric line unless we cede control of our own property and rights. It is not known to us if the Edens became part of this agreement when they purchased their property from the Drexlers. We can not afford to bring our own separate line in from the main road, but more significant is the Trustees' refusal to allow us to have a line of ours pass through their section of road even though their controlled line passes through our section of road. At least one purpose of the Trustees and their friends is to prevent us from building the sort of structure now proposed by the Edens, or from building anything at all.

In addition, the house that will be torn down, which had belonged to Larry Pease, was not allowed access to electricity but in it's rebirth will have everything.

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And off the record -

Just for your info

And happy to discuss with anyone

We care enormously about the health and preservation of the pond. I don't actually care what the Edens do on their property as long as it falls appropriately within rules and regulations, and allows us our rightful access. What I do care about is the total disregard with which we have been treated by the Trustees, the Drexlers, the Lewises, the Edens. Our property values have been diminished. We will never give our land to the trustees or submit to their regulations. It is not

a particularly modern concept to be denied electricity, but be surrounded by it. The Drexlers, Lewises, and Edens are, of course, entitled to be unfriendly neighbors and are lucky to have enough money to go onto the board of the Trustees and work out their personal control visions for all of Middle Point. The Trustees, however, accept donations from the public which enable them to function in this highly questionable manner.

The Drexlers are no longer involved but much of this started with them. What the Edens think is unknown to us, as we've been told that we will never be allowed to meet them or communicate with them. Nor do we know how the younger Lewises feel. Their family involvement in the electric line started with Tony and Linda.

I could go on and on. I am angry, but I don't know how to direct it. We've met with an island lawyer in the past who basically told us we could never afford to take on any of the bad neighbor behavior. And we can't.

So you just put up a locked gate and you win.

I know how unbelievably fortunate we are to be on the pond at all. Just plain luck. We love being there and would like to continue to enjoy it.

I am only speaking for myself. Not the larger family.

We would prefer to live simply by choice, not by force.

Mary Moore